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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 13, 2006**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the official action dated November 13, 2006, the applicants respectfully request that the application be reconsidered in light of the following amendments and/or remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.